

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 5 1. A method for providing message services, comprising:  
receiving a user notification message in an application;  
receiving a user identifier for at least one recipient of the message in the  
application, the user identifier operable to identify the recipient; and  
providing the message and the user identifier from the application to a private  
network operable to transmit the message to a mobile station for the recipient, the mobile  
station having a corresponding mobile station identifier, the user identifier assigned to the  
mobile station identifier in the private network.
- 10 2. The method of Claim 1, the application comprising a Web-based interface  
operable to provide access to the private network.
- 15 3. The method of Claim 1, further comprising receiving authentication  
information from a sender of the message.
- 20 4. The method of Claim 3, the authentication information comprising at least one  
of a user name and a password.
- 25 5. The method of Claim 3, further comprising providing the authentication  
information to the private network for authentication of the sender.
6. The method of Claim 5, further comprising determining whether the sender  
has been authenticated by the private network.
- 30 7. The method of Claim 6, further comprising receiving a confirmation of the  
authentication from the private network when the sender is authenticated by the private  
network.
8. The method of Claim 7, receiving a user notification message comprising  
receiving the message when the sender has been authenticated by the private network.

9. The method of Claim 1, further comprising providing a message recipient list of user identifiers for selection, receiving a user identifier comprising receiving a selection of the user identifier from the message recipient list.

5 10. The method of Claim 1, further comprising:  
providing a plurality of message recipient list identifiers for selection;  
receiving a selection of at least one message recipient list identifier;  
providing a message recipient list of user identifiers for selection based on the  
10 selected message recipient list identifier; and  
receiving a user identifier comprising receiving a selection of the user identifier from the provided message recipient list.

15 11. The method of Claim 1, further comprising receiving a "send message" command, providing the message and the user identifier from the application to the private network comprising providing the message and the user identifier when the "send message" command is received.

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- 5 12. A method for providing message services, comprising:  
receiving a user notification message in a private network;  
receiving in the private network a user identifier for at least one recipient of  
the message, the user identifier operable to identify the recipient;  
determining a mobile station identifier based on the user identifier; and  
transmitting the message to a mobile station for the recipient based on the  
mobile station identifier.
- 10 13. The method of Claim 12, further comprising:  
requesting authentication information for a sender;  
receiving the authentication information for the sender from an application;  
determining whether the sender is authenticated; and  
providing confirmation of the authentication to the application when the  
sender is determined to be authenticated.
- 15 14. The method of Claim 13, the authentication information comprising at least  
one of a user name and a password.
- 20 15. The method of Claim 13, the application comprising a Web-based interface.
- 25 16. The method of Claim 13, determining whether the sender is authenticated  
comprising determining whether the sender is authenticated based on a stored service profile  
for the sender.
17. The method of Claim 12, determining a mobile station identifier based on the  
user identifier comprising determining the mobile station identifier based on a stored  
assignment of the user identifier to the mobile station identifier.

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18. A method for providing message services, comprising:  
assigning a user identifier to a first mobile station identifier corresponding to a  
first mobile station in a private network;  
receiving in the private network a first message and the user identifier, the user  
identifier operable to identify a recipient for the first message;  
determining a mobile station identifier for the first message based on the user  
identifier, the mobile station identifier for the first message comprising the first mobile  
station identifier; and  
transmitting the first message to the first mobile station based on the first  
mobile station identifier.
19. The method of Claim 18, the user identifier comprising at least one of a first  
name, a last name and a nickname for the recipient.
20. The method of Claim 18, the first mobile station comprising a mobile  
telephone.
21. The method of Claim 20, the first mobile station identifier comprising a  
telephone number for the mobile telephone.
22. The method of Claim 18, further comprising:  
assigning the user identifier to a second mobile station identifier  
corresponding to a second mobile station in the private network;  
receiving in the private network a second message and the user identifier, the  
user identifier operable to identify a recipient for the second message, the recipient for the  
second message comprising the recipient for the first message;  
determining a mobile station identifier for the second message based on the  
user identifier, the mobile station identifier for the second message comprising the second  
mobile station identifier; and  
transmitting the second message to the second mobile station based on the  
second mobile station identifier.

23. The method of Claim 22, the user identifier comprising at least one of a first name, a last name and a nickname for the recipient.
24. The method of Claim 22, the first mobile station comprising a mobile telephone.
25. The method of Claim 24, the first mobile station identifier comprising a telephone number for the mobile telephone.
26. The method of Claim 22, the first mobile station comprising the second mobile station.

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27. A system for providing message services, comprising:  
at least one computer-processable medium; and  
logic encoded on the computer-processable medium, the logic operable to  
receive a user notification message in an application, to receive a user identifier for at least  
one recipient of the message in the application, the user identifier operable to identify the  
recipient, and to provide the message and the user identifier from the application to a private  
network operable to transmit the message to a mobile station for the recipient, the mobile  
station having a corresponding mobile station identifier, the user identifier assigned to the  
mobile station identifier in the private network.

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28. A system for providing message services, comprising:

at least one computer-processable medium; and

logic encoded on the computer-processable medium, the logic operable to

receive a user notification message in a private network, to receive in the private network a

5 user identifier for at least one recipient of the message, the user identifier operable to identify

the recipient, to determine a mobile station identifier based on the user identifier, and to

transmit the message to a mobile station for the recipient based on the mobile station  
identifier.

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29. A system for providing message services, comprising:  
at least one computer-processable medium; and

logic encoded on the computer-processable medium, the logic operable to  
assign a user identifier to a first mobile station identifier corresponding to a first mobile  
station in a private network, to receive in the private network a first message and the user  
5 identifier, the user identifier operable to identify a recipient for the first message, to  
determine a mobile station identifier for the first message based on the user identifier, the  
mobile station identifier for the first message comprising the first mobile station identifier, to  
transmit the first message to the first mobile station based on the first mobile station  
10 identifier, to assign the user identifier to a second mobile station identifier corresponding to a  
second mobile station in the private network, to receive in the private network a second  
message and the user identifier, the user identifier operable to identify a recipient for the  
second message, the recipient for the second message comprising the recipient for the first  
15 message, to determine a mobile station identifier for the second message based on the user  
identifier, the mobile station identifier for the second message comprising the second mobile  
station identifier, and to transmit the second message to the second mobile station based on  
the second mobile station identifier.

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30. A system for providing message services, comprising:
- means for assigning a user identifier to a first mobile station identifier corresponding to a first mobile station in a private network;
  - means for receiving in the private network a first message and the user identifier, the user identifier operable to identify a recipient for the first message;
  - means for determining a mobile station identifier for the first message based on the user identifier, the mobile station identifier for the first message comprising the first mobile station identifier;
  - means for transmitting the first message to the first mobile station based on the first mobile station identifier;
  - means for assigning the user identifier to a second mobile station identifier corresponding to a second mobile station in the private network;
  - means for receiving in the private network a second message and the user identifier, the user identifier operable to identify a recipient for the second message, the recipient for the second message comprising the recipient for the first message;
  - means for determining a mobile station identifier for the second message based on the user identifier, the mobile station identifier for the second message comprising the second mobile station identifier; and
  - means for transmitting the second message to the second mobile station based on the second mobile station identifier.

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31. A method for providing message services for a private network, comprising:  
receiving a non-address identifier for a recipient of a user notification  
message, the non-address identifier being non-unique in the private network;  
determining an address identifier for the recipient based on a sender of the  
5 message and the non-address identifier;  
addressing the message with the address identifier for delivery to the recipient  
in the private network.

32. The method of Claim 31, further comprising:  
10 providing the sender of the message with non-address identifiers as choices for  
selection, the non-address identifiers associated with the sender; and  
receiving a selection of the non-address identifier.

33. The method of Claim 31, further comprising:  
15 determining a plurality of address identifiers based on the sender of the  
message and the non-address identifier; and  
addressing the message with the address identifiers for multiple deliveries to  
the recipient in the private network.

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